



PARNELL DISTRICT SCHOOL

Kia Ora all

What an amazing week EOTC week has been! It has been so inspiring to talk to our students about all they have been learning through their education outside the classroom. I have had the opportunity to accompany some students to the Waitakere Ranges, explore rock pools with year 0-2 and develop my water safety with year 5-6. While this has been happening our year 7-8 students have been saying at the Marae in Piopio, and our year 5-6 camped in the Hunua ranges. The range of experiences our students have had include exploring the Orakei walkway, visiting long bay for camp activities, Cornwall Park, the Museum, MOTAT, the art gallery, and cycle safety. I look forward to sharing more examples of our EOTC week in our final newsletter in week nine.



Our ongoing support of the Auckland City mission is a real treasure to Parnell District School. Through the years we have always provided food from our vegetable garden to help with the food parcels that

the mission provides through the year. In addition to this, we are happy to welcome back the giving tree to Parnell District School. In the foyer, a Christmas tree will magically appear on Monday. We encourage all Parnell District School families to donate a toy suitable for a child who would otherwise wake up to a Christmas with no gifts.

In addition to the giving tree, the cost for wearing mufti on Thursday of week 8 will not be the usual donation, but instead a donation of a non-perishable food item for the Auckland City mission. You will still be able to buy sausages, drinks etc. from the PTA at the usual price. We invite you to take this opportunity to talk with your children about how giving at such a time relates to our school values and ways of being.

Richard George



You are invited!

To all of our amazing parents and whanau members who have supported our school and helped us by donating their time to school trips, road patrol, being part of our PTA, our gardens, in class support, working with students, providing transport, attending camps, and the hundreds of other things our community do to support us, our teachers would like to say thank you.

Please come along to our thankyou morning tea on Tuesday the 5th of December, from 11:00 – 11:30.

If you are able to attend, please email office@parnell.school.nz or pop in to see Paul at the office and give him the names of any attendees for catering purposes.

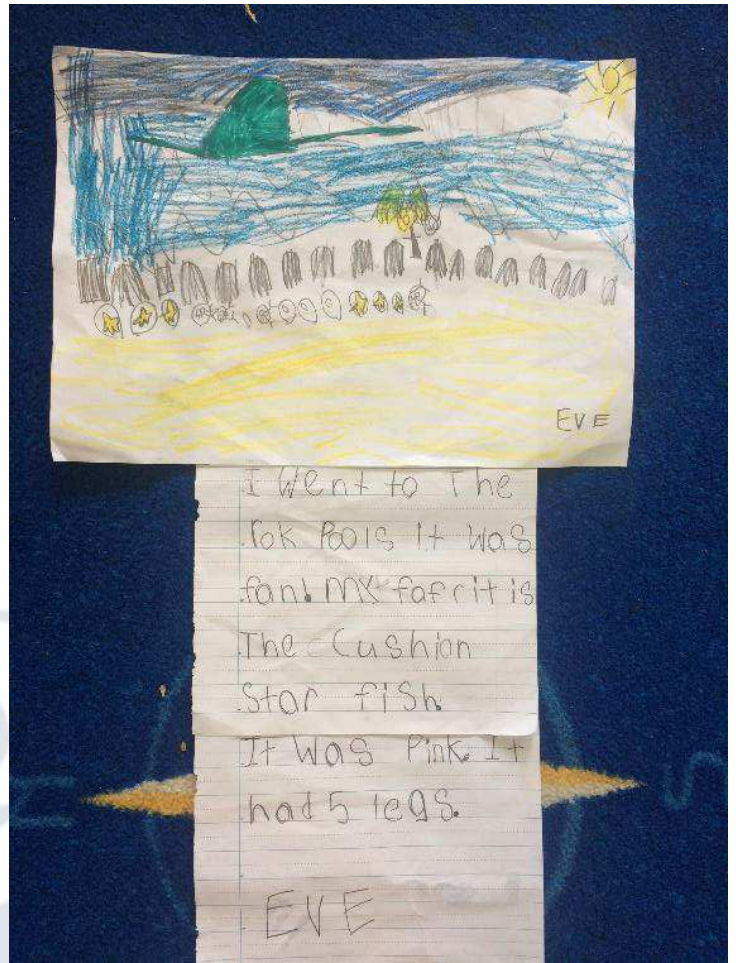
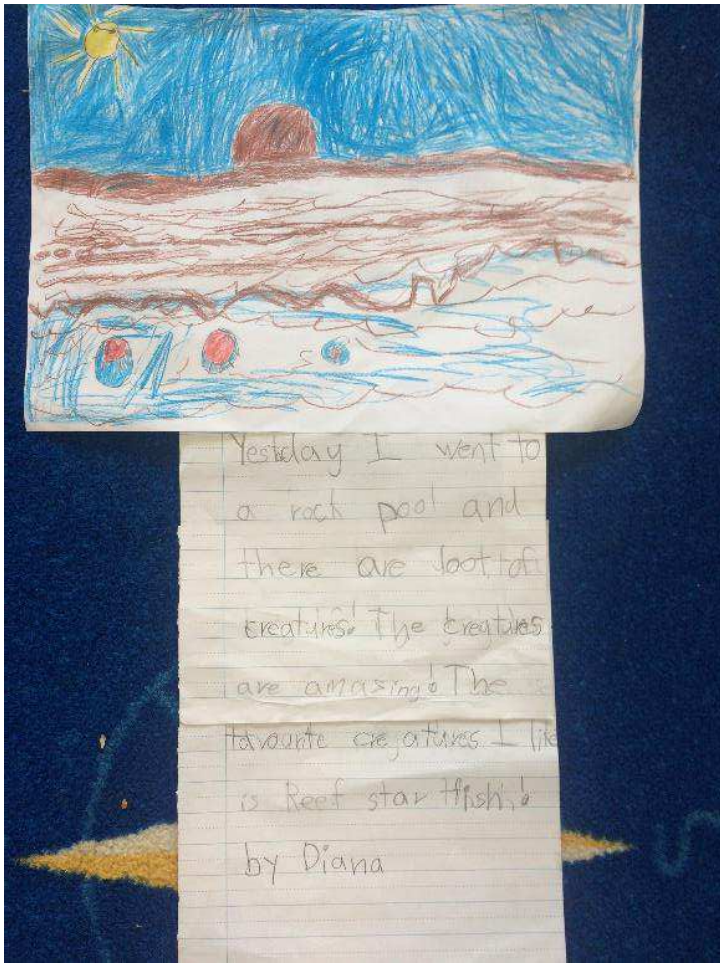
Room 5 news

Room 5 has been really enjoying our learning experiences inside and outside of the classroom this week. This week we are walking to the museum, exploring the rock pools, learning about the history and geology of Cornwall Park, and having a day camp at school.



In Room 5 we are learning to write personal narratives that include vocabulary and descriptive language. Here are some examples of the writing we did about our trip to the rock pools





Room 5 has been exploring our inquiry topic through Maths as we learn all about numbers up to 1000. Here we really enjoyed exploring place value blocks and were able to find patterns and make numbers using manipulatives.



From the PTA

Mufti Day & Sausage Sizzle

The last Mufti Day of this year will be held next Thursday, December 7th. Students are asked to please bring along a can of food that will be donated to the City Mission, instead of the usual gold coin donation for wearing mufti. This food will be donated to the City Mission.

Children will still need to bring coins along to purchase their barbecued sausages (including halal), muffins and drinks for \$2 each.

Dates coming up

Monday 4th December – Tuesday 5th December
Year 4 camp at MERC

Tuesday 5th December
Thankyou morning tea – 11:00 - 11:30am in the hall

Tuesday 12th December
Celebration of Learning at the Cathedral – 11:00 – 1pm
Please be seated to begin at 11am

Friday 15th December
School finishes for 2017 at 1pm

Tuesday 30th January
School begins with Three way conferences.

Monday 5th February
Teacher only day at school – no school for students.

Notes from our community



**SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY AND TERM 4
CHILDREN'S ART WORKSHOPS**

MEADOWBANK

Looking for something fun & creative to entertain your children these holidays?
Consider a **Young at Art** workshop!

MDBK1. CHRISTMAS VARIETY WORKSHOP - TWO DAY (5 yrs -15yrs)

When: Tues 19th & Wed 20th December 2017
Time: 11am-2pm

Using a variety of interesting techniques and materials students will create table decorations and other fun Christmas themed projects in this festive and fun workshop.

Where: Meadowbank Scout Hall, 28C Rutherford Terrace, Meadowbank *end of driveway
Tutor: Louise Hutchison
Cost: \$70.00 *includes both days



AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES - Term 1, 2017

Tutor: Louise Hutchison
When: THURSDAYS *commencing 2nd week of term
Time: 3:30-4:30pm (5 years +)
Where: Meadowbank Scout Hall, 28C Rutherford Terrace, Meadowbank *end of driveway
Term Cost: \$19.00 per class *all materials included and payable term in advance to secure a place

Places limited, booking essential.

For bookings or more information: www.youngatart.co.nz or admin@youngatart.co.nz

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MINECRAFT
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ROBOTICS
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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES
DEC 18 - 22, 2017
JAN 8 - FEB 2, 2018

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AFTER SCHOOL - HOLIDAYS - WEEKENDS - CHILDREN - TEENS - ADULTS - ARTY PARTIES

Sing·Act·Dance!
Perform in a Wizard of Oz SHOW!
We give Kids Confidence
Holiday Camp

Ages 5 to 13 years
Children work in their age group with specialist tutors.
9:00am to 3:00pm

FREE before and after care
Morning drop off from 8:00am
Late pick-up until 5:30pm.

Diocesan School for Girls
15-19 January 2018 (5 days)
Epsom Girls Grammar School
22-26 January 2018 (5 days)

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